# FINANCE COMMITTEE LEWISTON, MAINE

# Minutes of August 18, 2008

**PRESENT:** Chairman Roger Provencher, Councilor Robert Reed and Councilor Denis Theriault. Ron Paradis arrived at 5:07 p.m.

**ABSENT:** Stavros Mendros

Meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by the Chairman Provencher.

On motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

#### **VOTED:**

(87-2008) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated August 4, 2008 and to accept and place them on file.

**VOTE: 3-0** 

Mr. Conrad Begin of 2139 Lisbon Road sent a letter to the Purchasing Agent indicating that he could not meet the terms of his original bid proposal of \$18,500 to purchase 86 Gayton Road and was requesting that his proposal be revised to \$11,850.

In order to maintain the integrity of the bidding process, staff recommended that the counter proposal not be accepted and that Mr. Begin forfeit the bid security of 10% of the bid price. In addition, it was recommended that the City accept the bid from the second high bidder Mr. Raymond Bisson of 147 Gayton Road who had submitted a bid of \$8,250.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Provencher it was

### **VOTED:**

**(88-2008)** To rescind the award of the bid of the sale of 86 Gayton Road to Mr. Conrad Begin due to his withdrawal of the proposal and the ten (10%) percent bid security be forfeited and to further recommend that the proposal submitted by Mr. Raymond Bisson of 147 Gayton Road in the amount of \$8,250 be accepted.

**VOTE: 3-0** 

Mr. Ron Paradis arrived at the meeting at this time.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Paradis, seconded by Mr. Theriault it was

#### **VOTED:**

**(89-2008)** To award Bid 2008-045 on construction of Child's Park on Lincoln Street to Off Road Construction, Minot, Maine, low bidder at their bid price of \$41,731.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Theriault it was

## **VOTED:**

**(90-2008)** To authorize the purchase of High Pressure Sodium Light Fixtures to CED/Gilman Electric, Auburn, Maine, low bidder at a total bid price of \$42,640 for 200 units.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

The Committee was informed that a used Multi-Purpose Tractor for the Public Works Department which had been offered for \$15,000 was no longer available because the equipment had been sold to another interested party.

The Committee informed staff that if this opportunity were to present itself again that phone or electronic approval be sought, to be ratified at a subsequent meeting, in order that this opportunity not be lost in the future.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

#### **VOTED:**

(91-2008) To authorize a Task Order for Survey and Geotechnical Services to provide assistance on the Beech Street Bridge Replacement Project with Sebago Technics in an amount not to exceed \$7,805.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

The Finance Committee advised that the construction itself not go forward until the City has clearly obtained ownership of the bridge.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

#### **VOTED:**

(92-2008) To authorize a Task Order for survey services at Lake Auburn in support of the Ultra Violet Project with Sebago Technics at a total fee of \$3,900 with half to be paid for by the Auburn Water District.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Paradis it was

#### **VOTED:**

(93-2008) To award Bid 2008-047 on Cure-In-Place Pipe Lining Project to Reynolds Inliner, Fairfield, Maine, low bidder at a total contract price of \$444,727 for Base Bid Part 1, Base Bid Part 2, Alternate Bid #1 and Alternate Bid #2.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

The Committee received information from Pike Industries advising the City that it has to increase its prices on Hot Mix Asphalt, effective August 19<sup>th</sup>, from the current \$55.50/ton to \$65.00/ton for base and \$67.50/ton for surface hot mix asphalt. The prices are the result of the increase in the cost of liquid asphalt which has gone from \$317.50 per ton on March 3<sup>rd</sup> to \$725 per ton on July 28<sup>th</sup>. The price increases would only impact the materials picked up at the bidder's plant and not the City's annual paving program which is applied by the contractor.

On motion of Mr. Provencher, seconded by Mr. Paradis it was

#### **VOTED:**

(94-2008) To accept and place on file the communication from Pike Industries dated August 8, 2008 advising of the price increase, effective August 18<sup>th</sup>, on Hot Mix Asphalt picked up at the bidder's plant.

**VOTE: 4-0** 

#### **VOTED:**

To adjourn at 5:36 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee